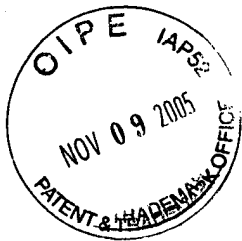


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RESPONSE

Dear Sir/Madam:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of August 5, 2005, which has a period of response set to expire on Saturday, November 5, 2005. The present response is being mailed by first class mail on the following Monday, November 7, 2005. Consequently, no extension of time is required. Claims 1-21 are pending. Claims 8-21 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-7 are rejected.

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